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Bloomington Mayor and City Council
Bloomington, MN

Dear Mayor Winstead and Council Members,

I seek your endorsement of me as a Manager candidate for the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District Board. I have served two terms and am up for reappointment. In 2009, Scott Anderson, familiar with my interest in water quality and conservation stewardship, informed me of a Manager vacancy on this Watershed District Board. With the Council's support I was appointed by the Hennepin County Commissioners to the Board in 2009 and 2012.

While I have served on the Board, we have put Stormwater Rules back in place in accordance with the Minnesota Statutes and developed a Cost Share Program that will benefit Bloomington residents. Currently we are exploring a partnership with Nine Mile Creek and Minnehaha Creek Watershed Districts to support the training of Master Water Stewards who, after training, will be able to work with Bloomington residents to assist with cost share project design and implementation. The Rules support Bloomington's ability to meet its water quality goals as well as aid developers who need to be able to compete for bids in a level playing field that brings more certainty to the bidding process.

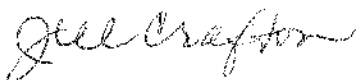
Also, the District has been proactive on the Aquatic Invasive Species, AIS, front to prevent the spread of AIS to our inland lakes.

I continually look for ways to bring more of Bloomington taxpayer dollars back to Bloomington's portion of the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District.

Bloomington staff can answer any questions about this appointment; otherwise, please contact me if you have questions of me.

Thank you very much for your consideration of me as a Manager candidate for this appointment. I would like very much to continue to serve Bloomington in this capacity.

Sincerely yours,



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